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SUMMARY. AT POLADS MEETING MAY 4, UK REP ARGUED AGAINST STRONG ALLIED COUNTERMEASURES IN RESPONSE TO LATEST LIBYAN MOVE ON PASSPORTS AND WAS SUPPORTED BY ITALIAN REP. FRENCH REP DENIED THAT FRANCE BEING FAVORED AND GREEK REP ADVISED ON STERN COUNTERMEASURES ORDERED BY ATHENS. US REP DREW ON TRIPOLI 574. NEXT POLADS DISCUSSION OF SUBJECT WILL BE AT MAY 15 MEETING. END SUMMARY.

1. UK REP OPENED DISCUSSION WITH STATEMENT MADE ON INSTRUCTIONS WHICH: A) RECOUNTED DEVELOPMENTS ALONG LINES EMBASSY TRIPOLI'S REPORTING; B) RECALLED PREVIOUS UK VIEW THAT STRONG COUNTERMEASURES WERE NEEDED; C) ARGUED THAT AT PRESENT TIME STRONG COUNTERMEASURES, CONFIDENTIAL

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PARTICULARLY "TIT-FOR-TAT" VISA REFUSAL, SHOULD BE AVOIDED;
AND D) CALLED ON OTHER ALLIES TO AVOID CONCESSIONS TO LARG.
ON LATTER POINT, UK REP ARGUED THAT TO GIVE INTO LARG AT THIS
POINT BY INCLUDING OFFICIALLY- NOTARIZED ARABIC TRANSLATION WOULD

BE VERY UNWISE AND MIGHT, INTER ALIA, ENCOURAGE QUADAFFI TO REQUIRE THAT ALL RADIO MESSAGES TO AND FROM LIBYAN FLIGHT INFORMATION CENTER BE IN ARABIC. IN A LAST ONE WAS HELD IN 1971 AND NEXT ONE IS TENTATIVELY SCHEDULED FOR AUTUMN 1973. ANNENBERG

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